Towards More Efficient Comprehensive Rotor Noise Simulation, Phase I



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Project Introduction

Rotorcraft design and optimization currently still rely largely on simplified (low-fidelity) models, such as rotor disk or wake models to reduce the turnaround time and allow exploration of a large parameter space. On the other hand, accurate noise prediction requires first principle, high fidelity simulations to capture small scales, highly unsteady aerodynamic sources of noise. This forces us to resort to component-wise acoustics computations, ignoring the fact that different components in the system affect each other in generating noise. The objective of this proposal is to develop high fidelity rotor noise simulation capabilities that allow multi-components noise prediction and exploration of a large parameter space inherent to design processes. The distinctive aspect of the present proposal is the use of a novel discretization method based on Adaptive Vorticity Confinement technique to counteract the numerical dissipation of the underlying spatial discretization scheme in a dynamic fashion. The concept has been proven successful in controlled flow setting, allowing direct comparison with analytical solution and laboratory experiment. The primary task in this project is to extend this concept to general flow and computational environment, focusing on Blade-Vortex Interaction noise prediction as initially targeted milestone.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners





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Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
CASCADE	Lead	Industry	Palo Alto,
Technologies, Inc.	Organization		California
Langley Research	Supporting	NASA	Hampton,
Center(LaRC)	Organization	Center	Virginia

Primary U.S. Work Locations	
California	Virginia

Project Transitions

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January 2010: Project Start



July 2010: Closed out

Closeout Documentation:

• Final Summary Chart(https://techport.nasa.gov/file/138545)

Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

Lead Organization:

CASCADE Technologies, Inc.

Responsible Program:

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Project Management

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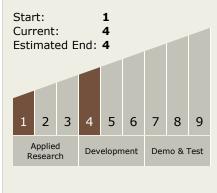
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Technology Maturity (TRL)





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Technology Areas

Primary:

TX15 Flight Vehicle Systems
TX15.1 Aerosciences
TX15.1.4 Aeroacoustics

Target Destinations

The Sun, Earth, The Moon, Mars, Others Inside the Solar System, Outside the Solar System

